Except, O signieur, thou do give to me
Egregious ransom.

FR. SOL. O, prennez misericorde ! ayez pitie de moy!

PIST. Moy shall not serve, I will have forty moys;
For I will fetch thy rim [4] out at thy throat,
In drops of crimson blood.

The same expression occurs in The Two Angry Women of Abington, 1599: " I had a sword, ay the flower of Smithfield for a sword; a right *Iox*, i' faith."
Again, in The Life and Death of Captain Thomas Stukeley, 1605: "—old hacked swords, *Joxes*, bilbos, and horn-buckles."
Again, in The Devil's Charter, 1607 :

" And by this awful cross upon my blade,
And by *this fox* which stinks of Pagan blood."

STEEVENS.

[4] FOR I will fetch thy RIM —] We should read:

" *Or*, I will fetch thy *ransom* out of thy throat."

WARBURTON.

I know not what to do with *rim*. The measure gives reason to suppose that it stands for some monosyllable; and, besides, *ransom* is a word not likely to have been corrupted. JOHNSON.

It appears from Sir Arthur Gorges's translation of Lucan, 1614, that some part of the intestines was anciently called the *rime*. Lucan, book i.:

" The slender *rimmes* too weake to part
" The boyling liver from the heart ."

<---*parvus scite secat vitalia limes.* L. 623.

" *Parvus limes* (says one of the scholiasts) præcordia indicat: membrana ilia quæ cor et pulmones a jecore et liene dirimit."

I believe it is now called the *diaphragm* in human creatures, and the skirt or midriff in beasts: but still, in some places, the *rim*.

Phil. Holland, in his translation of Pliny's Natural History, several times mentions the *rim* of the paunch. See book xxviii. ch. ix. p. 321, &c.

Again, in Chapman's version of the 14th Iliad :

" And strook him in his belly's *rimme*—,"

STEEVENS.

Cole, in his Dictionary, 1678, describes it as the caul in which the bowels are wrapped. MALONE.

Ryno is at this day a vulgar cant expression for *money*. *I—- ready ryno* means ready money. This was probably the expression* that Pistol meant to use : and I should suppose *ryno*, instead of *rim*, to be the true reading. M. MASON.

1 ought to have some kindness for this

conjecture,'as it has